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Lightning Sparks Wildland Fire

RICHFIELD, UT: June 19, 2015 – Fire crews responded to a report of a wildland fire yesterday burning on the Old Woman Plateau approximately 23 mile southeast of Salina Utah.

Currently the lightning-caused Old Woman Fire, burning in Ponderosa pine and manzanita, is estimated at ½ acre. Reported fire behavior is creeping and smoldering. No structures are threatened.

35 firefighting personnel are assigned to the fire, which is being managed by local resources. Firefighters plan to use natural barriers such as rocky areas and bare ground when possible to aid in suppression activities.

Using this suppression strategy fire managers are looking to reduce forest fuels, and the risk of future, large wildland fires, as well as to enhance the natural habitat.

As with all wildland fires the primary objective is the safety of firefighting personnel and the public.

Information about this fire will be posted online at www.utahfireinfo.gov.